



January 18, 2026

# St. Elizabeth Catholic Church

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THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY  
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**ST. ELIZABETH MISSION STATEMENT**

*We, the people of St. Elizabeth of the Hill Country Catholic Church and Church of the Epiphany, give glory to God by living the message of Christ. We commit ourselves to nurture the spiritual and educational development of God's people. Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit we strive to be a worthy Parish family and grow in our Catholic faith.*

**STAFF**

<b><i>Fr. Brendan Buckler</i></b>	<b><i>Pastor</i></b> frbuckler@gmail.com Sacramental Emergencies - (828) 865-0311 (This number is for <b>Sacramental Emergencies <u>Only</u></b> )
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**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday –Thursday  
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

**CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY TO ASU**

232 Faculty Street  
Boone, North Carolina 28607  
Web site: [www.ccm.appstate.edu](http://www.ccm.appstate.edu)  
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Erin Kotlowski, ASU Campus Minister  
Register: [www.sainteccc.org/university-student-online-registration](http://www.sainteccc.org/university-student-online-registration)

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Grand Knight – Matthew Mellon  
To contact Mr. Mellon, please  
call the parish office.  
[www.kofc.org/join](http://www.kofc.org/join)  
[www.kofc.org/intothebreach](http://www.kofc.org/intothebreach)  
General Meeting – 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday  
of each month at 7:00 PM

**ST ELIZABETH GIFT SHOP**

Located downstairs to the left of  
the entrance.  
Open during office hours and by  
request after Masses

**ONLINE GIVING**

Our parish offers online giving.  
For information or to sign up,  
please visit their website:  
<https://osvhub.com/sainteccc/funds>

**myParish App**

Scan the QR code to download  
St. Elizabeth's myParish app to your  
Apple or Android device.  
Or go to [myParishapp.com](http://myParishapp.com)



**LEAGUE OF ST. MARTIN**

The League of St. Martin, also  
known as the Holy Face Devotion,  
Meets every third Tuesday of the  
month in the Youth Room. For  
more information, please visit  
our website.

January 18th  
The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Schedule of Masses

Intention

<b>Saturday, January 17</b>	
4:15 PM - English	Our Parish Community
<b>Sunday, January 18</b>	
9:00 AM - English	Private Intention
11:30 AM - Spanish	
1:00 PM - Latin Novus Ordo (Epiphany) †	Elizabeth Leach
<b>Tuesday, January 20</b>	
6:00 PM - English	Mia Bianchi
<b>Wednesday, January 21</b>	
12:15 PM – English	Alex & Abigail Bianchi
<b>Thursday, January 22</b>	
9:30 AM - English	Private Intention
<b>Friday, January 23</b>	
9:30 AM - Latin Novus Ordo (Epiphany)	Anastasia Isabella
<b><u>All Masses</u> celebrated with the 1970 Roman Missal, 3rd edition</b>	

Readings For the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading	Isaiah 49:3, 5-6
Psalm	Psalm 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10
Second Reading	1 Corinthians 1:1-3
Gospel	John 1:29-34

Sacrament of Confession

Wednesday	11:45 – 12:00
	5:00 – 6:00
Thursday	9:00 – 9:15
Friday*	9:00 – 9:15
Saturday	3:00 – 4:00

\*At Church of the Epiphany  
in Blowing Rock

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday	5:00 – 6:00 PM
Thursday	10:00 AM – 7:00 PM

There are currently two hours open for Thursday Adoration at 11:00 AM and 3:00 PM. If you would like to spend one of these hours each week with Our Lord, please call the parish office.

## Remember in Your Prayers

Mary Cuerdo, Sue Taylor, Pat DeCrosta, Bruce Hobe, Michele Polan, Ed Rossi, Jennifer Forbing, Ruth & Tom Drohan, Matthew Peak, Samantha Lewis, Mark Riso, JoAnn Delucia, Julie Trueman, Elisabeth W., Lynn White, Darren Lingard, Mike Taylor, Rosie Taylor, Robert Wilson, Shirley Snyder, Todd Lee, Debbie Passalaqua

*If someone has been removed that is in fact still needing our prayers, please call the parish office to request they be placed back on. Those wishing to have their family members or friends on the list please call the parish office. They will remain on the list for three months unless there is a special request.*

***Please pray for the men and women in service from our parish community -***  
Our military men and women will stay on the prayer list as long as they are active duty:

Christopher Lawrence, Adam Pinkerton, Bob Mahoney, Scott MacDonald, Nathan Summers, Genia Bodie, Braxton Marcela, Ryan McGuire, Brian Clevenger, Fernando Rangel Ramos, Tanner Dieppa, Patrick Mellon

***Please pray for our Seminarians*** Dcn Robert Bowman, Dcn Michael Camilleri, Dcn John Cuppett, Dcn Maximilian Frei, Dcn Bryan Ilagor, Dcn Michael Lugo, Dcn Peter Townsend, Dcn Daniel Chaves Pena, Dcn Juan Gonzalez Hernandez, Dcn James Tweed, James Johnson IV, Bradley Loftin, Patrick Martin, Connor White, Clement Ackerblom, Mark Becker, Matthew Stanley, Mateo Perez, John Harrison, Gabriel Lugo, Ronan Ostendorf, Elijah Buerkle, Peter Andress, Anthony Briones-Tristan, Micah Burgess, John Paul Felder, Walter Frei, Patrick Gallagher, Matthew Hennessy, Michael Herman, Theodore Holthe, Charles McCormick, Andrew Scott, James Sides, Matthew Sie, Jeremy Smith, Maximillian Torres, Pierre Westoff, William Adderley, Milo Bannash, David Billings, Patrick Byrnes, Kyle Felder, Liam Scott, James Yellico



## Happy Birthday!!

Jan 17	Rene' Kathe, Hermilo Rubio
Jan 19	Maggie Miranda-Castro, Brodie Sukow
Jan 20	Mark Gutschall
Jan 23	Wallace Lewis, Ryan Scott

### Collections Week of January 11th

Offering	\$ 4,684.00
Maintenance	\$ 185.00
Poor Box	\$ 20.00

Current Avg Monthly Operating Expense - \$23,500.00

**We greatly appreciate those who support our Parish.**

**Donations can be mailed to the office at:**

**259 Pilgrims Way, Boone, NC 28607**

**or you can sign up for online giving.**

#### **Online Giving**

**Our parish offers Online Giving, but is currently in the process of changing platforms. Please stay tuned for more information.**

### Priests' Retirement Collection

We are now at the end of the year and we have received \$8,319.00 in contributions to the Priests' Retirement Benefits Collection. We are grateful for the generosity of our parishioners. Our assessment is \$9,312.00. If you have not yet made a donation to this important collection, please prayerfully consider doing so. Whatever is not collected in donations must be paid out of offertory funds. There are additional envelopes available in the parish office/narthex for those who did not receive one in the mail. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this most important campaign.

<b>Our Goal</b>	<b>\$9,312.00</b>
<b>Received</b>	<b>\$8,319.00</b>
<b>Still Needed</b>	<b>\$ 993.00</b>

### Upcoming Events at a Glance

#### Holy Face Devotions

Tuesday, January 20 - 6:45 PM

#### Candlemas (Includes the blessing of candles)

Monday, February 2 - 6:00 PM @ Epiphany

Parish Life

**Online Giving Change** St. Elizabeth’s is currently in the process of changing our online giving platform. If you currently give through OSV, please watch your email for more information from ParishSoft. This change will bring savings to our parish, and also save you from having to create your own contributions statement and the end of the year. Win win!

What’s Happening This Week

Sunday, Jan 18	10:15 AM	Faith Formation
Monday, Jan 19	6:00 PM	Exodus 90
Tuesday, Jan 20	6:45 PM	Holy Face Devotions (YTH)
Wednesday, Jan 21	7:00 PM	Knights Meeting (PJH)
Thursday, Jan 22	2:00 PM	Ladies Scripture Study (LIB)
	5:45 PM	Legion of Mary (PJH)
	6:00 PM	Choir Practice
	7:00 PM	RCIA (YTH)

YOUTH SERVICE PROJECTS at St Elizabeth’s

Our Faith Formation program at St. Elizabeth's wishes to give students an opportunity to serve our Parish community.

It is **mandatory** that students in a Sacramental year complete one of the below service projects before the end of the 25/26 Faith Formation class year. This includes those students in our First Communion, and Confirmation II classes. All other students are encouraged and recommended to complete one of the below projects! Please sign up on our parish website.



**Service Project A:**

March 23, Monday, 4:30-6:00 pm. Location: Saint Elizabeth in Boone  
We will complete needed chores, clean, organize, and pray while we work together to beautify our Church! Please bring a snack with you and a water bottle!

**Service Project B:**

April 25, Saturday, 10:30 am-Noon - Church of the Epiphany in **Blowing Rock**  
We will complete needed chores, clean, organize, and pray while we work together to beautify our Church! Please bring a snack with you and a water bottle!

## Pastor's Corner

Is Ordinary time just ordinary? Unlike pagan religions which see time as an endless cycle, Christians see time as being linear; it has a beginning and will have an end. Within Christianity's linear, "big picture" sense of time, the passing of hours are experienced as cycles of meditations on holy things. Ordinary Time refers to the period of the Catholic Church's liturgical year that falls outside of the major seasons (Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter). Ordinary Time is called "ordinary" because the weeks are numbered. The Latin word ordinalis, which refers to numbers in a series, stems from the Latin word ordo, from which we get the English word 'order'. Thus, Ordinary Time is in fact the ordered life of the Church - the period in which we live our lives neither in feasting (as in the Christmas and Easter seasons) or in more austere penance (as in Advent and Lent), but in watchfulness and expectation of the Second Coming of Christ.

Sub Tuum Praesidium,

Fr. Buckler





## Mary Son's Kneeler Pilgrimage

The Mary's Sons Apostolate invites you to join them in praying in a special way for Deacons Robert Warren Bauman, Michael Patrick Camilleri, John Warren Cuppett, Maximilian Karl Frei, Juan González Hernández, Bryan Ilagor, Michael James Lugo, Daniel Chaves Peña, Peter James Townsend, and James Connor Tweed. These men are preparing to be ordained to the Holy Priesthood for the Diocese of Charlotte on May 30th. From January 19th to January 25th, two handmade wooden kneelers will be at our parish – one for Deacon Michael Camilleri and one for Deacon Peter Townsend. Please take a moment to pray on the kneelers for the deacons. There will be prayer cards for you to take and journals in which you can write messages of encouragement and well wishes. The kneelers and journals will travel to other parishes in the coming months and then will be given to the men at their ordination.

For more information about Mary's Sons and the Kneelers for Priests Pilgrimage program, please visit [www.maryssons.org](http://www.maryssons.org).



# EXODUS 90



“Exodus 90 is a men’s group (18+) devoted to pursuing Christ through sacrifices, prayer and fraternity. All men are welcome! We meet on Monday nights from 6-8 PM

at St. Elizabeth in Pat Jones Hall. Any men interested can stop by or contact Tyler Dean at 828-295-2477. To learn more about the practices involved, visit [exodus90.com](http://exodus90.com). Ite Ad Joseph”



# FAMILYNight Jan 28

SAINT ELIZABETH'S BOONE, NC

YOUTH GROUP \*7<sup>TH</sup> GR AND UP  
LITTLE SAINTS GROUP \*1<sup>ST</sup> GR AND UP  
PARENTS GROUP \*STARTING SOON



## *Holy Hour and Confessions*

Quiet Holy Hour \*EVERY\* Wednesday 5-6pm with Confessions offered. This is EVERY week and is a great opportunity for prayer.

## *Dinner is served*



\*6:00pm Bi- Weekly 2x a month our "Family Night Groups" with dinner served at 6:00pm. To start out, we will only be feeding children but hope to organize some great family meals for the near future. Dinners are planned to be kid friendly.

## *Group Information*



**6:30-7:30PM Bi- Weekly 2x a month**

**Youth Group** - is for 7<sup>th</sup> grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. It is geared for fun and conversation.

Games, skits, prayer, and visiting speakers from our area. Don't forget our famous **BONFIRES AND SMORES**

**Little Saints Group**- is for 1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade

This group is centered on a fun craft with a lesson of a Saint tied in, we also practice music for church and events.

**Parents Group**- coming soon!

**RSVP TO:**  
VANESSA CARSON

**UPCOMING DATES FOR  
DINNER/GROUPS:**  
**JANUARY 7, 28**  
**FEBRUARY 11, 25**  
**MARCH 11**

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